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Threat of electrical shock elevated due to earthquake

INDIANAPOLIS – Due to the earthquake, the threat of becoming electrocuted has been increased with downed power lines prevalent throughout southern Indiana.

If you believe someone has been electrocuted, look before touching, the person may still be in contact with the electrical source. Touching the person may pass the current to you.

Turn off the source of electricity if possible and dial 911.

Move the electrical source away from you and the affected person using a non-conducting object, such as, of cardboard, plastic or wood if that is a better option.

Once the person is free from the source of electricity, check the person's breathing and pulse. If either has stopped or seems dangerously slow or shallow, begin CPR immediately.

If the person is faint, pale or shows any sign of shock, lay the person down with the head slightly lower than the trunk of his or her body and the legs elevated.

Do not touch burns, break blisters, or remove burned clothing. Electrical shock may cause burns inside the body, be sure the person is taken to a doctor.

For more information about staying safe during an earthquake, visit www.GetPrepared.in.gov.

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